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For

Binding Agent Mixtures and Their Use

in Coating Materials Cured by Actinic

Radiation and/or Heat

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 23, 2004, Applicants respond through their attorney as follows.